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DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a divisional patent application under 37 CFR § 1.53(b) of prior pending patent application serial number 09/687,234, filed on October 13, 2000.

The divisional application is entitled "SELF-LIMITING WEAR CONTACT PAD SLIDER AND METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME," for which the inventorship is identified on the attached Declaration and Power of Attorney (8 total pages) from the prior pending application. We are transmitting herewith the following:

- 1. A divisional application, with a new specification claiming priority to the prior application. The new application is as follows: 18 pages including 1 page of abstract; 11 claims (renumbered non-elected claims 27-37 of parent application); 6 sheets of formal drawings having Figures 1-8; 9a-9b; 10a-10b; and 8 pages of declaration from the original application. No new matter has been added.
- 2. The filing fee is calculated below.

CLAIMS AS FILED

NUMBER FILED		NUMBER EXTRA		RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS:	-20	0	X	\$18.00	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS 1 -3		0	X	\$84.00	\$0
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				TOTAL FILING FEE:	\$750.00



3.	Payme	ent of fees: Please charge our deposit account #50-0996 for \$750.00 (HITG.028USD1) in payment of the filing fee.				
4.	\boxtimes	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees as set forth in 37 CFR §§ 1.16 to 1.18 which may be required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Account No.50-0996 (HITG.028USD1).				
5.	\boxtimes	This application has been amended to include before the first line the sentence: "This application is a divisional of U.S. 09/687,234, filed October 13, 2000, which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety and to which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120."				
6.	\boxtimes	A set of formal drawings (6 sheets) is enclosed.				
7.	\boxtimes	An Information Disclosure Statement with 2 pages of previously cited/submitted Forms 1449 and 1 page of Form 892				
8.	\boxtimes	The prior application is assigned of record to: International Business Machines Corporation.				
9.	\boxtimes	The Power of Attorney in the prior application is to:				
		David W. Lynch				
		Reg. No. 36,204				
		(651/686-6633)				

10. Address all future communications to the <u>Attention of: David W. Lynch</u> at the address below.

11. \(\sum \) Two (2) return postcards are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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